

The Selectmen's Climate Action Committee has the following responsibilities:

1. Recommend programs that reduce the net production of greenhouse gases in Brookline, such as energy efficiency measures, green energy sources, and additional greenspace.
2. Monitor, measure, and assess efforts of the Town to reduce net greenhouse gas emissions.
3. Monitor promising relevant programs in other municipalities.
4. Monitor relevant technological developments.
5. Serve as liaison between the Town and the public with regard to information and programs related to reducing net production of greenhouse gases.
6. Report annually to the Annual Town Meeting and to report from time to time to the Board of Selectmen, the Town Administrator, and the public.

The members of the committee are as follows:

Carey Bergeron – Citizen representative to the Climate Action Committee; attorney, Goodwin Procter; engineer.

Mary Dewart – Owner, Dewart Design, a landscape design/build practice; founding member and current board member of Brookline GreenSpace Alliance; town meeting member, Precinct 3; served on Brookline Parks and Recreation Commission and the Brookline Community Foundation; lectures and symposia, Massachusetts Horticultural Society; video producer, Isabel's Gift, The Story of Larz Anderson Park.

Jon Cody Haines – Citizen representative to the Climate Action Committee; incTank Ventures, focusing on Sustainable Energy Start-ups; B.S., Mechanical Engineering, University of New Hampshire; M.S., Engineering Management, Northeastern University.

Alan Leviton – Climate Change Action Brookline designee; BS Chemical Engineering, Purdue University; MS Chemical Engineering, University of Illinois; retired from Rohm and Haas Company with experience in the design, construction, and operation of chemical plants; currently a chemical industry consultant.

Werner Lohe – Conservation Commission designee

Jesse Mermell – Committee co-chair and Member of the Board of Selectmen

Patricia Maher – Advisory Council on Public Health designee; nurse practitioner, Cambridge Health Alliance; Board Member, Brookline-Quezalguaque Sister City Project.

Linda Pehlke – Brookline Neighborhood Alliance designee; freeland writer and historian (2001-present); former urban and transportation planner; former member of the (Massachusetts) Governor's Air Quality Task Force; founder and president, Friends of the Minot Rose Garden.

Josh Safer – Transportation Board designee

Carol Sandel – Chamber of Commerce designee; property manager, Center Communities of Brookline, a senior housing development consisting of three buildings; licensed social worker and certified property manager; president, Go Green Pro Clean, an environmentally-friendly cleaning company.

Barbara Scotto – School Committee designee

Michael Shepard – Building Commission designee; Building Commissioner, Town of Brookline; former member of Board of Selectmen in Town of Hopkinton, Mass.; former Building

Commissioner, Town of Hopkinton; former remodeling contractor; former school teacher; marine corps officer.

Jim Solomon – Citizen representative to the Climate Action Committee; chef/owner, The Fireplace Restaurant, the first Green Certified Restaurant by the Green Restaurant Association; member of the Board of Directors, Boston Green Tourism; Board of Directors Vice President, Brookline Chamber of Commerce; Board of Directors, The Terezin Chamber Music Foundation; Board of Directors, Boston Children's Theatre; active member of Seeds of Peace, a non-profit organization working to secure peace in the Middle East and other regions of conflict.

Don Weitzman – Committee co-chair and Advisory Committee designee; retired, former teacher and teaching consultant, private investor, Town Meeting Member (1994-present); founding member, Neighbors Building Brookline (precinct 12 TM slate); Advisory Committee member (1996-1997, 2006-present); former Selectman (1997-2000); founding member and past co-chair, Town Meeting Members Association; founding member and former treasurer, Brookline Neighborhood Alliance; board member, Brookline PAX; board member, Fisher Hill Association; board member, Brookline GreenSpace Alliance; associate member, Brookline Democratic Town Committee; host, Brookline Beat, Brookline Access Television; founding member, past co-chair, and current treasurer, Climate Change Action Brookline (CCAB). Sponsored and co-authored Article 29 (May 2008 TM) that established Selectmen's Climate Action Committee.

Mark Zarrillo – Planning Board designee.

